

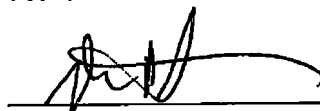
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Groman et al. Atty Docket: 1275/190
Serial No.: 09/521,264 Art Unit: 1619
Date Filed: March 9, 2000 Examiner: Wells, L.
Invention: Heat Stable Colloidal Iron Oxides Coated with Reduced
Carbohydrates and Carbohydrate Derivatives

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE C

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 2002, please amend the claims of the above application as set forth below.

Please cancel without prejudice claims 5, 6, 21, 23, 35-36, 39-52, and 56; applicant intends to pursue subject matter of claims 35-52 in a continuation application.

Please amend claims 1, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 53, 54, 64, and 66 to read as follows: